of public meetings, taking out of processions and all other forms of demonstrations within the limits of Mezhathur, Thrithala, Pattithara, Nagalasseri and Mala amsams, for a period of one month with effect from 13th February 1954.

"(b) It is not possible nor is it relevant to ascertain the amount spent as the Police enforce such prohibitory orders as part of their normal duties."

Order under section 144 *in Thrithala, etc., firkas, South Malabar.*

* 205 *Q.*—SRI P. K. GOPALAKRISHNAN : Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state—

(a) whether prohibitory orders under section 144 of Criminal Procedure Code have been promulgated in the villages of Thrithala firka of Ponnani taluk prohibiting meetings and processions since 13th February 1954 ; and

(b) if so, the necessity therefor?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM (on behalf of Hon. the Chief Minister) :—" (a) & (b) The attention of the hon. Member is invited to the answer to the Starred Question No. 204 given notice of by Sri E. T. Kunhan."

Order under section 144 *in Thrithala, etc, firkas, South Malabar.*

* 206 Q.—SRI K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state—

(a) whether it is a fact that the Sub-Magistrate of Ponnani, South Malabar, has promulgated an order under section 144 prohibiting meetings and processions in amsams and places like Thrithala, Mezhathoor, Pattithara, Nagalasseri, etc., since 13th February 1954; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM (on behalf of Hon. the Chief Minister) :—" (a) & (b) The attention of the hon. Member is invited to the answer to Starred Question No. 204 given notice of by Sri E. T. Kunhan."

SRI E. T. KUNHAN :—" സർ, ജനുവരി 20-ാം തിയ്യതി മേഴത്തൂർ വില്ലേജിൽ മുണ്ടി എന്ന ഹരിജൻ സ്ത്രീയേയും അവളുടെ അച്ഛനേയും വില്ലേജുദ്യോഗസ്ഥനും കോൺഗ്രസ്സ് സെക്രട്ടറിയായ രാമൻ നായർ എന്ന ആളും ചേർന്ന് മർദ്ദിച്ചതിനെ പ്രതിഷേധിക്കാനായി കൂടിയ യോഗത്തിലാണ് ഈ അലങ്കോലങ്ങൾ ഉണ്ടായത്. അതിനെപ്പറ്റി ഗവൺമെണ്ടിനു വല്ല ആക്ഷേപങ്ങളും കിട്ടിയിട്ടുണ്ടോ ; കിട്ടിയിട്ടുണ്ടെങ്കിൽ എന്തു നടപടി എടുത്തു ?"

SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR :—" (Translation) Are the Government aware of the fact that on January 20th, a Harijan woman Mundi and her father Karian were severely beaten by one Raman Nair, the Congress Secretary of the place, at the instigation of the village munsif? Have the Government received any complaint with regard to that repression and, if so, what action has been taken thereon?"